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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Electrical Examiners

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 3, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas Hartley, Complaint Officer, Professional Member Robert MacLennan, President, Professional Member Nathan Schreppler, Education Officer, Public Member Michael Travers, Secretary, Professional Member James Howard, Professional Member Richard Millar, Public Member Timothy Johns, Public Member

ABSENT

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Latonya Brown, Administrative Specialist II Melanie Alexander, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Pam Jones
Denise Courtney
Chester Kelly
Daniel J. Mitchell
Daniel E. Mitchell, Sr.
James Nittes
Frank Tyler
William Mellon
Robert Smith
Jean Elliott

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. MacLennan called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

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A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Hartley, to approve the meeting minutes from January 6, 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Propose to Deny Hearing

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 0908a and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Boards proposal to deny the application of George Williamson. He admitted as Board exhibit #1 the application and supporting documents as well as all correspondence in the matter. Mr. Williamson stated that he was ready to proceed sans attorney and was sworn in by Mr. Maloney at 0910a.

Mr. Williamson was sworn in and began his testimony by stating the incident that he needs a waiver for was an isolated incident that he pled no contest to so that it could be over and done with. He stated that he is not that type of person. And professionally this incident has no bearing what he does as a worker and who he is as a person.

Mr. Williamson provided the Board with a letter of recommendation from his mentor and fellow Journeyperson that Mr. Maloney entered as applicant exhibit 2.

The board went into deliberations at 914.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Howard, to approve Mr. Williamson for a waiver. The motion carried unanimously.

The hearing adjourned and went off the record at 917a. Verbatim testimony is available via audio recording.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Examination Applications

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Johns, to approve the following applicants to sit for their respective exams: Thomas P. Taylor- Master Special- Elevators, Vincent M. Simone- Master Special- Elevators, Philp C. Sharp- Master Special- Elevators, Bruce W. Haines, Jr. - Master Special- Elevators, Arnold R. Huffman, Jr. - Master, and Gregg H. Lear- Master. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Travers, to approve the reciprocity applications of: Keith Harman, and Donald Todd. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Hartley, seconded by Mr. Howard to accept the ratification of Apprentice Electrician applications of: Christian A. Taylor, AndrewM. Watson, Pero Markis, Ernest R. Mingo, Nikola Preradovic, Felipe Rivas, Jeffrey D. Cooper, Brian C. Shankie, Alexander P. Rumpf, Ryan C. Snyder, and Brandon L. Moore. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartley, seconded by Mr. Howard, to accept the ratification of Journeyperson applications of: Arthur F. Tierney, Tyler W. Ort, Sean M. Toman, Adrian C. Hargett, Jason M. Pepper, Kevin J. James, Raymond J. Eye, Bradley P. Ryan, and Anthony J. Mongewzo. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartley, seconded by Mr. Howard to accept the ratification of Limited Electrician application(s) of: Richard F. Grouser, Jr., Duane T. Duncan, Jason C. Hill, Edwin L. Ramos, and Joseph N. DeWitt. The motion carried unanimously.

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Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. Travers, second by Mr. Millar to approve the application of William Murphy. The motions carried unanimously.

Continued Education

A motion was made by Mr. Maclennan, seconded by Mr. Howard, to approve the requested continuing education courses as follows, the motion carried unanimously:

1. Med-Tex- Permit Required Confined Space 29 CFR 1910.146/29 CFR

a. 1926.1200- 7 hrs- **Tabled**

2. IEC Chesapeake

- a. 2014 Changes to the NEC- 2.5 hrs- Approved contigent upon receipt of outline
- b. 2014 Grounding & Bonding- 5 hours- Approved contigent upon receipt of outline
- c. 2014 Changes to the NEC- 3 hrs- Approved contigent upon receipt of outline

3. George V. Landing Sr.

- a. Frequently Observed Violations Part I- 5 hrs- Approved
- b. A Purview of the 2014 Nation Electrical Code Part I Chapter
 - 1-4 5 hrs- **Approved**
- c. A Purview of the 2014 Nation Electrical Code Part II Chapter 5-9 5 hrs- **Approved**

4. Mike Holt Enterprises, Inc.

- a. Business Skills Live Seminar- 2 hrs- Approved
- b. 2014 NEC Update, key focus Grounding and Bonding Live Seminar- 8 hrs- **Approved**
- c. Understanding Low Voltage Systems Live Seminar- 8 hrs- Approved

5. Re-Review of Joseph Headley

a. Post Audit Approval of CE Courses- Approved

Review and consideration of New Electrical Inspector Application

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Howard, to approve Alfonse Simeone to be added as a new electrical inspector to Building Inspection Underwriters, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Consideration of Consent Agreements

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Howard, to approve the consent agreement as written for Gary Shuhart. The motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous Review & Discussion

The Board was notified that Mr. Mangler has requested that all professional Boards review their crimes that are substantially related to the profession be reviewed and updated soon. Kevin Maloney stated that the list had been updated within the last 6 months.

The Board was notified of House Bill 257. The bill allows agents of the Division of Professional Regulation to inspect persons providing electrical services to ensure compliance with the laws relating to electrical services in Title 24 of the Delaware Code.

The Board was also notified of House Bill 258. This bill allows for the granting of probationary electrician license to a person after a criminal conviction.

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Review and Consideration of Hearing Officer Recommendations

CORRESPONDENCE

Jamie Towns asked if a license was required to change a duplex box to a 4 gang box, or for replacing non GFCI duplexes with GFCI duplexes, or adding an outlet via duplex knockout. The Board stated that a license is required for all of the things mentioned in the email.

Building Inspector Underwriters wrote to the Board for clarification of regulation 15.3. The Board stated that a new inspector would be required to pass the exams within 18 months of the date of employment. The clock starts as soon as they are hired.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

The Board is still waiting to hear from the Fire Marshall to find out when the NEC 2014 will be adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Smith brought up the definition of a limited electrician for clarification of what they are allowed to work on under that license type, after discussion it was stated that the definition may need be a statute change.

Mr. Smith also wanted clarification on who they are required to verify a license on and the Board stated they must verify the license on the person applying for the application.

Pam Jones wanted to Boards assistance in clarifying the Limited electrician's capabilities as while working as a state employee on state buildings, she wanted to know if the 4 or fewer dwelling units applies in those instances, or if it only means if they are working outside of their job as a state employee on state buildings. Mr. MacLennan stated that as long as a limited electrician is working under a master electrician they can work on anything because they would under the master electricians supervision, which the same would go for a journeyperson working under a master electrician as well.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be held on March 2, 2016 at 08:30 Cannon Building 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware, Conference Room A, 2nd floor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Hartley, seconded by Mr. Travers, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting went off record and adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Alexander

Administrative Specialist II

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